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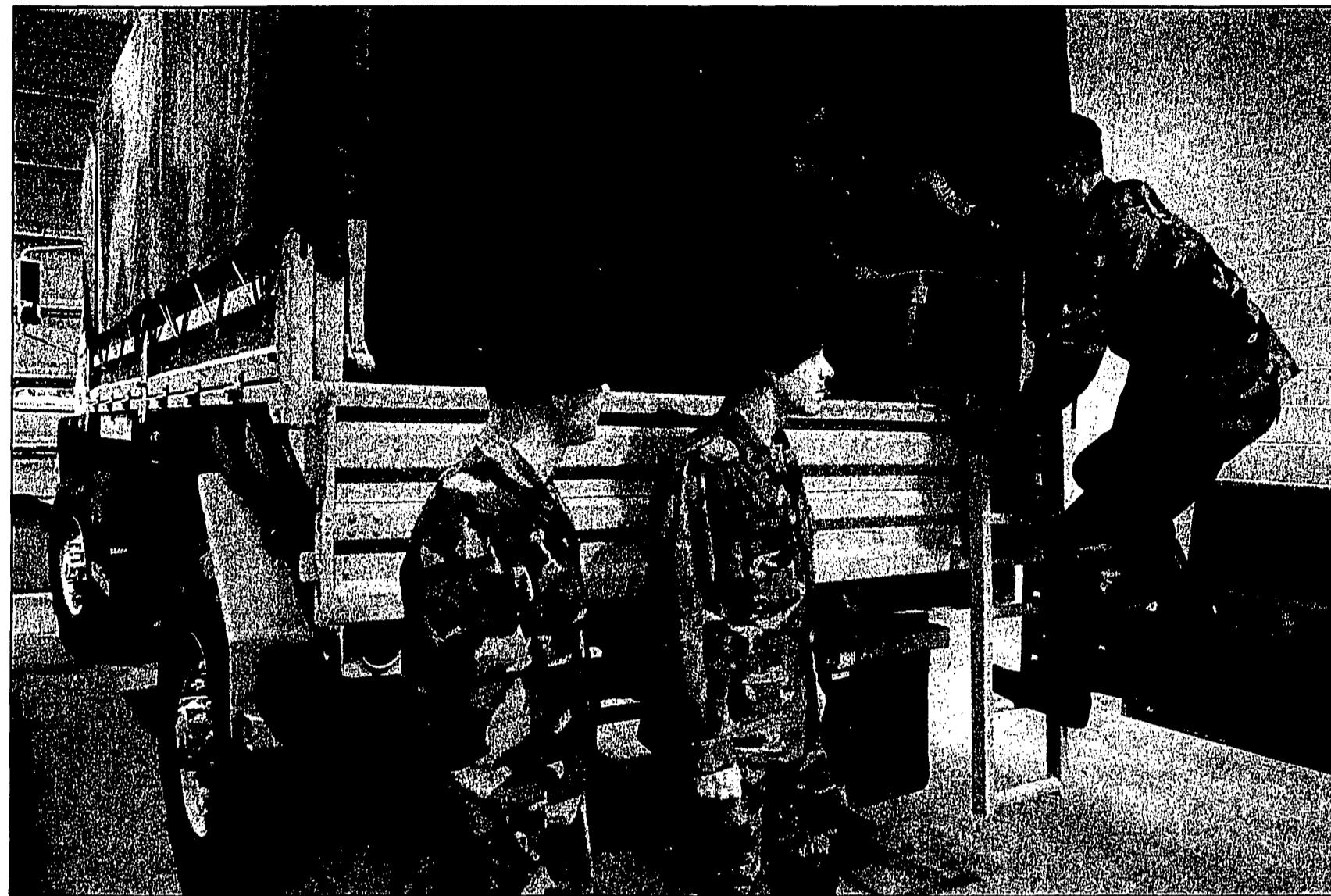


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This weekend, National Guard personnel from local units will prepare for possible deployment. Members will have to pass fitness tests throughout the weekend to be eligible for deployment.

BAND OF BROTHERS

Delta Chi's ready to serve together in Iraq

By PETE GUTSCHENRITTER
CHIEF REPORTER

Going into the weekend, students may be thinking about what party to attend or what movie to go see.

But for a trio of Delta Chi fraternity brothers, the weekend will be spent going

through the Soldier Readiness Program in preparation for possible deployment to Iraq or the Middle East.

And even though the situation in Iraq may be considered hostile at best, Eric Nolan, J.J. Welch and Brent Vogt are looking at it from a positive perspective.

"It helps out a lot having fraternity brothers going with you," said Nolan, a history graduate student. "And my little brother is going, so that helps a lot. It's a lot easier going with people you know rather than people you don't know."

The trio will join nearly 300 other Reserves who will be go-

ing through tests to get medically cleared Friday through Sunday.

"Most already know they're going to pass, but the doctor may disqualify them for a flat foot or something like that," Capt. Darren King said.

If Nolan, Welch and Vogt all pass and get deployed, they will become the fifth, sixth and seventh members of Delta Chi to be deployed since Sept. 11, 2001.

"After 9/11, I thought it was a possibility (for deployment)," said Vogt, a junior communications major. "I didn't expect it now though."

All three will be sent to Fort

Sill, Okla., to train as military police officers if they pass the tests this weekend.

"That's what the Army is missing right now," Nolan said. "Just police officers to help control things (in Iraq)."

As students begin to deploy, King recognizes it could be tough making the adjustments.

"For the most part, most soldiers are just worried about leaving their families," King said. "For (students), it's an interruption of their classes, so the timing isn't very good."

However, for Welch, a sophomore chemistry major, cooperation from teachers has not been a problem.

"They give you options, and you pick," Welch said. "They'll ask, 'Do you want me to take the grade you have right now?'"

"They let you do that?" Nolan asked astonishingly, bringing laughter from his two fraternity brothers.

Even though the future is blurred as to when and where the trio might be going, Nolan continues to look for the silver lining.

"For me, I try to take the most positive attitude," Nolan said. "I look at the positives. That's the only thing you can do. It won't do you any good being negative."

Nodaway County has low mark for unemployment

By SARAH SWEDBERG
CHIEF REPORTER

Missouri's unemployment rate continues to fall as Nodaway County holds the state's lowest unemployment rate.

"One of the big factors is the presence of Northwest Missouri State University," said Jim Grebling, communications director of the Missouri Department of Economic Development. "It provides the county with some steady employment."

Paul Reichart, a spokesman with the Missouri Economic Research and Information Center with the Missouri Department of Economic Development said counties with colleges have a lower unemployment rate because of all the services that are needed. He also said Nodaway County's smaller population attributes to that rate.

According to the Department of Economic Development's September 2003 statistics, Nodaway County currently has a 1.5 percent unemployment rate. The county has a labor force of 12,889 people, 12,693 of whom are employed, leaving 196 who are without jobs but actively pursuing employment.

Grebling said Nodaway County is a regional center of employment for some northwest Missouri counties, which helps surrounding counties such as Atchison County to keep their unemployment rates low. Please see "Nodaway" page 5A

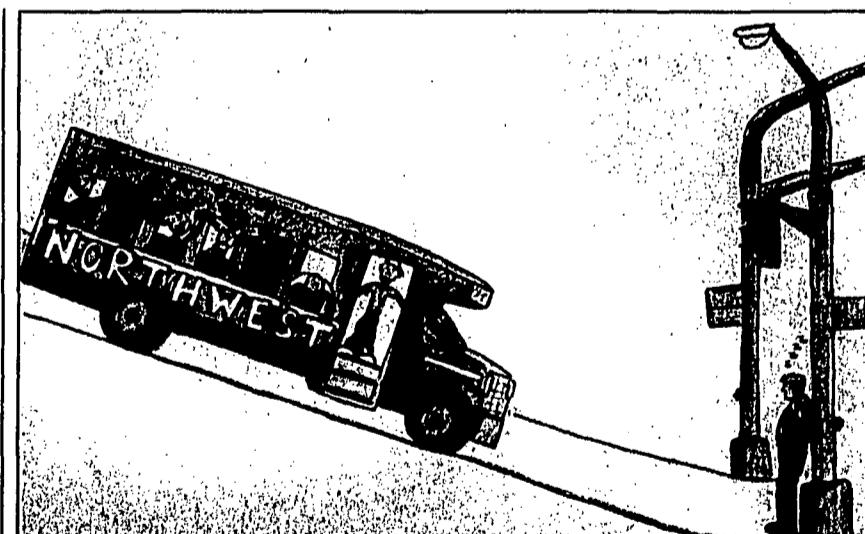


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With the University looking to start a program to help people who have consumed alcohol get home from the bars, local Public Safety officials could find a lot more time on their hands.

University to begin Safe Ride Home program

By AARON BAILEY
UNIVERSITY NEWS EDITOR

Beginning next semester, University officials hope to offer a pilot of the Safe Ride Program which will provide transportation for intoxicated students to their homes either on or off campus.

The program is still in the planning phase and will be part of the university's Alcohol Strategic Plan.

"Ideally, we'd like to offer this in late January or early February, but a lot has to happen between now and then," said Kent Porterfield, vice president of Student Affairs. "But the longer you wait, the more risk people are going to drive home drunk. We want people to be safe."

The initiative for the Safe Ride Program came out of discussions with the

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For postgame coverage of the football game for Senior Day against the Southwest Baptist University Bearcats, check Missourianonline.com.

This week's Buzz reviews:

Check out reviews of "Matrix Revolutions," "Elf," and a review of the "Finding Nemo" DVD this week on the Buzz at Missourianonline.com

Last week's poll:

Now that the Bearcats are practically out of play-off contention, are you going to go to the games?

43.3% Heck yeah. I bleed green.

25.7% I haven't gone all season.

21.4% The only game I am going to is the Arrowhead game.

9.6% I am done with them.

Online poll:

When it becomes available, will you choose the Safe Ride Home program instead of driving drunk?

a. Yes, it is a safe way home.

b. I will walk instead.

c. Who needs a van? I will drive home myself.

d. I prefer finding a sober driver to take me home.

Legislative interns ready for 2004

By JANELLE DAVID
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

Anxiously awaiting the coming election year, four ambitious Northwest interns are preparing to see the government firsthand.

In January, public relations major Tracey Switzer, political science major Jansen Thomas, public relations major Allie Zaroor and political science major Patrick Dunlap will depart for Jefferson City. Each student has been assigned to work with a different elected official until May.

The interns said they are anxious to begin taking part in this opportunity.

"You're always nervous about things you take very seriously, but I'm excited about getting my foot in the door," Zaroor said. "To see the processes and network in Jefferson City is an immense opportunity."

The interns will perform various tasks such as working on legislation, writing press releases, attending hearings and work sessions (in which issues are debated and discussed), tracking press coverage, assisting constituents with problems and leading tours of the capital.

A diverse panel comprised of faculty members and students chose the interns.

"Each individual selected for the Jefferson City internship contributes to their academic studies, Northwest and the community," said Ryann Summerford, legislative coordinator for Tom Vansaghi, vice president of University Relations.

The interns are grateful to be representing the capital.

"I couldn't go down and have such a great time again without the terrific support of Tom Vansaghi and Ryann Summerford," Thomas said. "I can tell we have a great group going due to their continual efforts."

The panel hopes the interns take full advantage of the occasion.

"This is a great way for Northwest to showcase the quality of students that they produce," Summerford said. "It's also an opportunity for students to get a taste of real-world job experience as well as possibly find employment for the future."



PHOTO BY NIKI CARDER/CHIEF PHOTOGRAPHER
Al Sergel, assistant professor of music and director of bands, explains directions for a group project he requires for his class. Sergel's career at Northwest spans two decades.

Award-winning artist opens 3-D art exhibit

By BURNIE COCHRINE
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

cup holder he created for his daughter out of bean cans to serve as a better waitress in New York.

When senior Michelle Medaris attended his lecture, she stated that the slide presentation that he presented did not do his work any real justice.

"I think of his work as a collage of meaningful things," Medaris said. "He gives you the premise, but you can interpret it how you want. I like that he's kind of messy."

Mayse expressed through his art that he was trying to bring forth a deeper meaning.

"I think that what it boils down to is how the artist can impact society, or how

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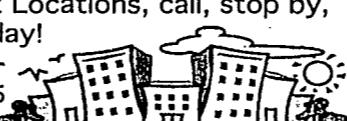
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Thurs. **Peer Education meetings/training**
6 Foreign film Series: "Das Kabinett," 7 p.m., Student Union Dining Room 3
GED, 8 a.m.

Fri. **7 Amnesty International Annual Benefit Concert, 7:30 p.m., The Pub, \$3 cover**
8 Teacher Work Sample Day, 8:30 a.m.-2 p.m., Student Union Ballroom
9 GED, 8 a.m.

Sat. **8 Al Sergel Day/Band Alumni Day**
9 Computing Services Maintenance
10 GRE, 8 a.m.

Sun. **9 No events**

Mon. **10 IM Battle of the Beef entries due, noon**

Tues. **11 Veterans Day**
12 M Table Tennis singles entries due, noon

Wed. **12 Hip Hop Night at Northwest, 7:30 p.m., Student Union Ballroom**

UNIVERSITY NEWS BRIEF
Matt Wertz to perform special concert

After the success of his second album *23 Places*, musician Matt Wertz is set to play an acoustic concert at Charles Johnson Theater at 8 p.m. Saturday.

Tickets will be available at 7 p.m. the day of the show at the theater's ticket office for \$6 each.

The performance is sponsored by AdLink.

Questions for...

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DEFENSE ATTORNEY



Pandas ready for play

By JESSICA SWARTZ
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

Steve Kibler, Maryville High School speech teacher, chose to veer from the norm with his selection of this year's play.

"We usually stick to the normal high-school oriented play," he said.

This year, he had made the decision to produce a play written by American dramatic playwright David Mamet.

The play, "The Revenge of the Space Pandas," was the first of Mamet's plays for children.

"Mamet's production of the play is very unusual," Kibler said. "The first time I saw it, I thought it was just hilarious."

The play is based on the story of several boys that build themselves a two-speed clock. The clock magically transports them to another planet ruled by an egomaniacal woman. The appearance of militant panda bears serves to add to the humor.

"This play is really funny," said junior Jessica Goerke, who is playing the part of the "phony, conniving newscaster." "It's different from what the school's done before because it's a children's play. The entire family can enjoy it. It's not just the kindergartners who'll think it's funny. Adults will also see it and say,

"Oh, that's funny."

Mamet may scarcely recognize his own play if he were to see it performed by the young actors and actresses.

The play has changed slightly, Kibler admitted.

"I'm a big fan of letting students come up with their own approach," he said. "They've taken their part and added a little bit of themselves to it."

For instance, an invisible off-screen character has been added, and roles changed slightly to accommodate a different time period and gender.

"I had to get rid of the obviously male lines and put a feminist spin on the role," Goerke said.

All students are expected to come up with their own costumes, from white shirts and black shorts for the pandas to a formal dress for the queen. The actors are also involved in the making of sets and props.

The rehearsals have been going on for four weeks and will continue up until the opening night of the play.

"It's been hard to work around everyone's schedules," Goerke said. "One of our pandas has cheerleading practice...Every few days someone comes down with a bug that keeps them out for a few days."

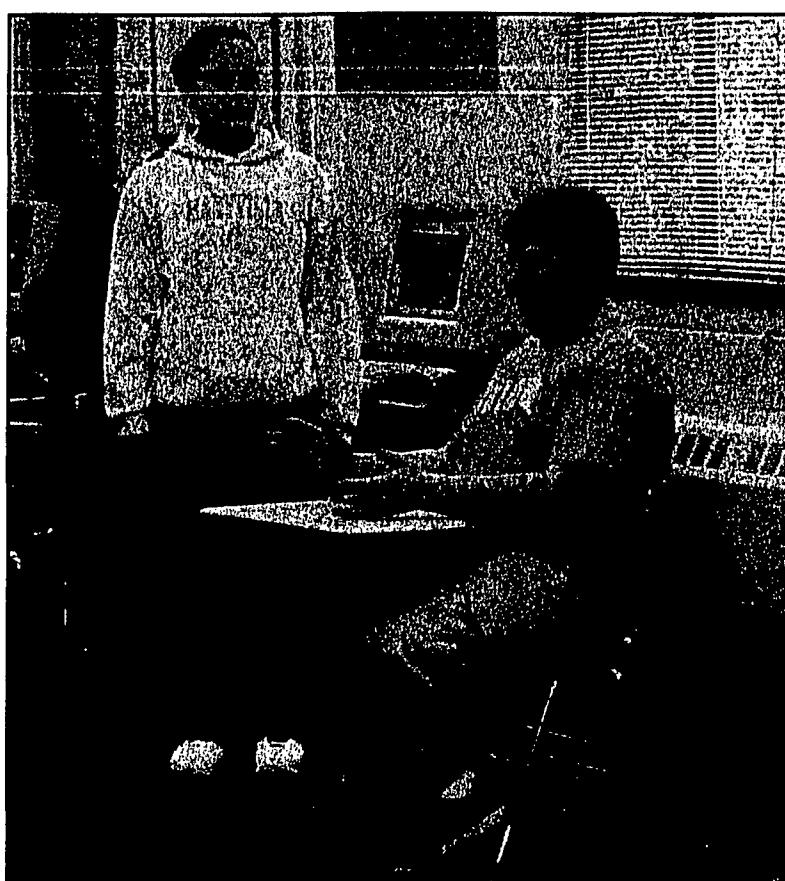


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Elizabeth Fulton and Sean Householder practice a scene from Maryville High School's Fall Production. "We have a pretty good handful of people doing their first show, and they're really funny," said Steve Kibler, teacher and director.

Nov. 16. An additional performance will take place on Nov. 17 at Eugene Field Elementary.

The two performances of "The Revenge of the Space Pandas" will occur at 7 p.m. Nov. 14 and at 2 p.m.

The Fall Performance occurs annually for the Maryville High School.

The tickets cost \$3 for adults and \$2 for students. The play will occur in the MHS gymnasium.

Community events

Thurs.	■ Ladies' Aerobics , First Baptist Church, 7 to 8 p.m.
6	
7	■ World Community Day
8	■ Budget Retreat , First Christian Church, 9 a.m. to noon
9	■ Fellowship Lunch , First Baptist Church, noon
10	■ Boy Scouts , First Christian Church, 7 to 9 p.m.
11	■ Veteran's Day
12	■ Early Dismissal ■ PAT Meeting , Maryville High School ■ Chamber Social , A&G Restaurant, 5 p.m.

If you would like to have your event published, please call 562-1224 or e-mail stsexon@missourianonline.com.

Cha-Cha chances to take dance lessons from professional dancer

By STEPHANIE STANGL
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

Ever since Rhea Vetter was a little girl, she knew that dancing would be an integral part of her life.

"I began taking dance lessons at age four," Vetter said. "By the time I was entering high school, I considered that dance might be a profession I wanted to pursue."

Vetter chose to seek a doctorate degree in dance at the University of Utah. This turned out to be one of the best choices she could have ever made.

"They felt that you should learn how to teach, choreograph and perform dance, opposed to other schools that just put an emphasis on solely learning how to choreograph and perform dance," Vetter said. "One of my professors told us that we will make your money teaching, not performing."

That is exactly what she chose to do.

Recently, a secretary at HPERD sought Vetter to be the ballroom dance instructor at the Maryville Community Center to teach a variety of social dances including the cha-cha, the fox trot, the waltz, the swing and variations of each.

"Everyone is born with rhythm, but they lose that rhythm because they don't listen to it," Vetter said. "People's ability to dance is like a rusty lock that just needs oil."

The community has the perfect chance to do just that by attending the sessions, which began Oct. 23, offered at the community center. The classes are every Thursday night and will last for two more weeks. Sessions are \$25 per person or \$40 per couple.

Vetter noted several reasons for why she is ardent about dancing.

"I love to improvise and the creative process behind dancing," Vetter said. "I just really like to move."

The most rewarding aspect of her career lies within the student lives she touches, she said.

"I get to help people become comfortable with dance, but, most importantly, comfortable with themselves," Vetter said. "Dancing can raise self-awareness and self-confidence."

There was a turning point in her

career as a dancer. Vetter was on stage performing a duet with another woman when she went to make the landing after a leap. She came down wrong and snapped her Achilles' tendon.

Her career was then squelched in terms of performing.

"That took it out of me," Vetter said. "You never can leap quite as high; your balance is not as good after an accident like that."

Despite this, Vetter continues to encourage others to keep dancing and take advantage of dance lessons when they are made available.

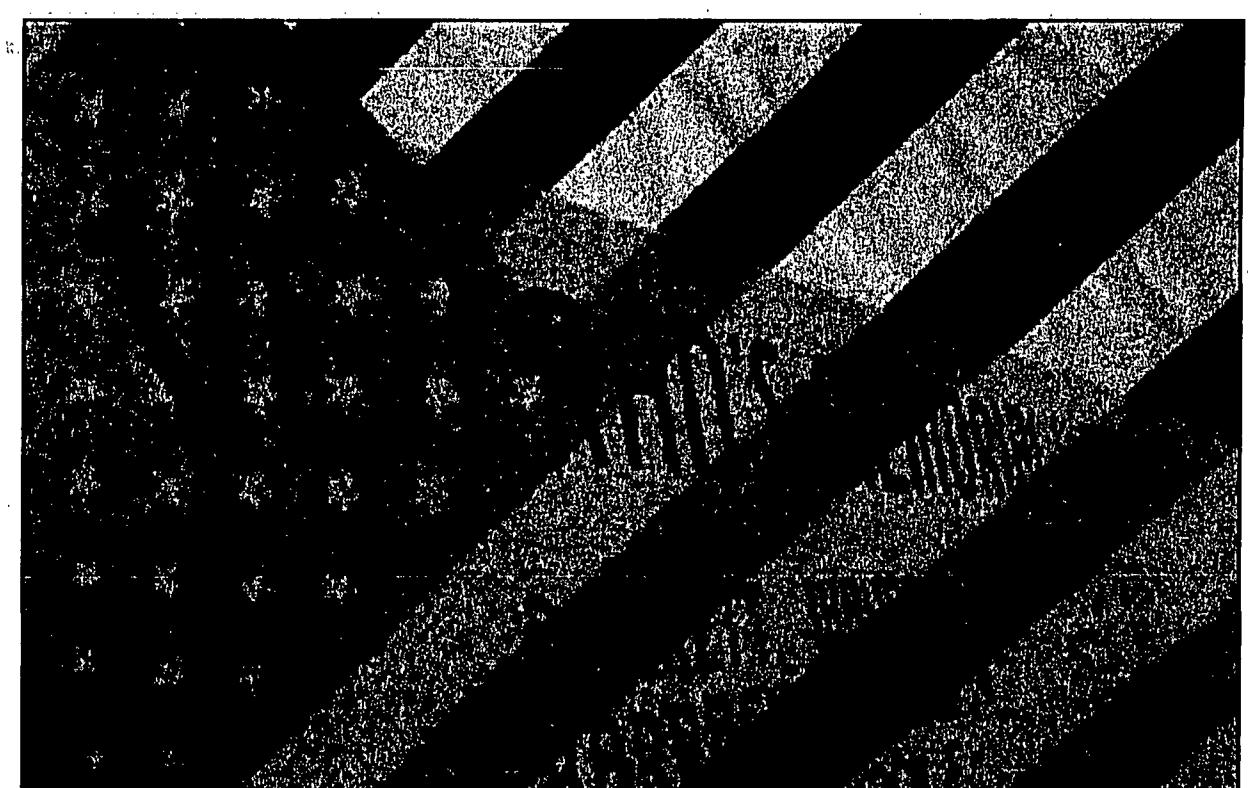


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Walls outside Nodaway County Courthouse are lined with names of Nodaway County veterans who lost their lives in American battles. Veterans will be remembered Tuesday with various ceremonies at the courthouse honoring their accomplishments.

Community remembers Veterans

BY LIZZI SEXTON
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

As Veterans Day approaches, patriots divided by the growing questions of the justifications for war are preparing to unite.

On this historically-significant day, Maryville will show unity and homage with a Veteran's Memorial ceremony.

In 1918, the 11th hour during the 11th day in the 11th month marked the end of World War I. Commemorated by Americans as Armistice Day in 1954, this anniversary became a national holiday to honor all U.S. veterans.

At 11 a.m., Veterans Day will be observed in Maryville with the aid of the American Legion Post 100. A coalition of community support will gather on the West Side of the Courthouse Square.

Master of Ceremonies Leon Miller will inaugurate the event as veterans and active members of service invoke ceremonial traditions. While the Maryville High School band provides music, the event will broadcast on live radio.

"We will give salute to those of

the past and give support to those of the present," said Miller, a veteran who has received Purple Heart and Bronze Star honors.

In the aftermath of Operation Iraqi Freedom, Capt. Chad Enders, battery commander of the 1st Battalion in Maryville, is among the recipients of community support.

Enders and his recently activated unit are currently on call to join more than 300,000 coalition troops deployed in the Gulf Region.

Enders is highlighted to speak during the memorial.

While Veterans Day signifies the historical sacrifices of American troops, Richard R. Flanagan, commander of Post 100, notes that this year is also a time to reflect upon the factors of war.

Flanagan describes Iraq as a setting in which, "you are not sure who is an enemy and who is a

friend."

Flanagan, who is a veteran of the Korean War also reflected on the fact that "there is nothing glamorous about war."

During the Korean War, Nodaway County lost 15 men. All 197 of the communities fallen heroes will be remembered during a gun salute and the playing of taps.

Ceremonial activities of observance also include a memorial wreath placement.

Other events that will take place include a firing squad salute provided by Cmdr. Tom Strueby. Members of American Legion Post

100, Post 464 and Veterans of Foreign Wars, Post 442.

Taps will also be played at the end of the day by Maryville High School band members Cathy George and Kylee Smith.

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Our View

A Sobering Effort

As binge drinking remains prevalent among Northwest students, actions taken by various campus organizations should be noticed

While some may argue otherwise, there's really no question as to what the most prevalent form of recreation among Northwest students really is.

Despite numerous posters and surveys that portray binge drinking as an activity practiced by less than a quarter of Northwest students, the sad reality of prevalent alcohol abuse can be plainly seen by anyone on nearly any given night.

Be it through the numerous student arrests for Driving While Intoxicated and Minor in Possession violations, overflowing drinking establishments or even by the broken beer bottles and empty cans lining the streets throughout Maryville's north end, alcohol abuse is little more than a weekend ritual to a large chunk of students.

However, despite the visible problem, student and administrative leaders at Northwest have taken positive and commendable steps toward curbing binge drinking.

And perhaps this time, they just may be effective.

While far from the most visible of roundtables on campus, Northwest's Substance Abuse Task Force, a committee consisting of Northwest administrators, faculty, students, director of Maryville Public Safety and even bar owners, has worked together to not only curb the problem, but also to provide positive alternatives.

In addition, among the most visible and effective alternatives is the student-sponsored and run "Late Thursday Night at the Union," a series of Thursday evening games and activities provided for students as an alternative to drinking. Late Thursday Nights, among other activities, provide a solid answer to the frequently overused excuse of "What else is there to do in Maryville?"

And possibly bearing the most impact is this evening's scheduled presentation, "DUI: A Powerful Lesson" by Mark Stern. Stern served a 23-month prison sentence for felony manslaughter when three of his friends were killed in a car accident, during which he was the impaired driver. The presentation entails a video of Stern's last night with his three friends followed by sobering photos of the demolished vehicle after the crash. Along with Stern's moving testimonial on the most fatal night of his life, the haunting images will no doubt bear a powerful influence on students in attendance. It's a presentation we at *The Missourian* urge students not to miss.

It's important to emphasize that we at *The Missourian* in no way discourage responsible drinking. (Responsible meaning being of legal age to consume alcoholic beverages, choosing a designated driver and making wise choices when drinking, including the company you keep). However, it's difficult to support in any way merely drinking to get drunk. It's dangerous not only to oneself but also to those around them, be it behind the wheel or otherwise.

Because of this, we commend the efforts made on and off campus to curb what we feel is a very serious problem. To us, a "Culture of Quality" doesn't only exist within comment cards and the promotion of Northwest to potential recruits. It also exists with the safety and well being not only of students, but also for the entire community.



A right to carry is a right to safety

My first understanding of guns came at age 12.

At the time, my dad was working the Minnesota Bureau of Criminal Apprehension. And as a state law-enforcement worker, he was given a state-issued handgun. In twelve years, I never thought to consider why he would ever really need it.

One night, Dad took my mother, sister and me to a rodeo event at the Target center in downtown Minneapolis. Standing next to him at one point, I noticed a strange outline under his sweatshirt. I could make out something of an L-shape against his hip—the same shape I'd seen on his dresser for years. My dad had brought a gun into this arena.

It took a while after that to figure out just why he'd carry a gun with him to a rodeo. Then I started hearing about police officers dying in the line of duty in some of the rougher parts of the Twin Cities. I started to notice a little more just how violent some of these neighborhoods were. Then there was a shooting at the gas station around the corner from my house.

I understood. It wasn't about starting trouble; it was about protecting himself and his family.

I've been all over Kansas City and through portions of St. Louis. I've heard my dad's longtime colleagues, police officers of over 20 years from Independence and Kansas City, talking about the increase of not only crime in general but in violent crime since they joined their respective departments. When I lived in Columbia, I read report after report of murder after murder in the rougher parts of St. Louis.

It's for all of these reasons that I commend the Missouri Legislature for passing the right-to-carry law and why I hope that the appeal that has been made to the Su-

preme Court falls through.

For all of the knee-jerk blame that has been laid upon the gun industry, I see it as a victory to see the Second Amendment upheld and for law-abiding, responsible citizens not to be punished for the acts that despicable criminals commit. I view this law as our lawmakers trusting we, the responsible citizens, to do the right thing.

Such a law is long overdue. The blame for any violent act committed with a firearm belongs squarely in one place: on the head of the person who pulled the trigger. Those who have a desire to keep their families safe from those who would do them harm deserve the right to do so or rather, deserve to not have it infringed upon. Those who would do harm to others using a gun deserve to be locked away and never again allowed to purchase one, should they ever be released.

Put simply, a gun is a machine, just like a car. It will do what the operator makes it do, one way or another. In the history of firearms, there has never once been an instance of a gun loading itself, aiming itself and firing itself. No, each of those actions has been done by the person operating the

gun.

machine. And just as a car has the potential to kill accidentally if not operated properly, so has a gun. That is why proper education is a big key to putting a stop to accidental deaths.

All these things considered, the responsibility for preventing gun violence lies with the gun owners and law enforcement officials. I've heard the arguments regarding officer safety being affected by this law, but what people tend to forget is that firearms expertise is something instilled in any officer before he or she is allowed to put on a uniform. The purpose for that? You guessed it: so that they can defend themselves if their lives are put in jeopardy. Those who misuse guns in that or any other fashion deserve the stiffest penalty the law would allow. Personally, I would disagree with any sentence in which someone guilty of trying to shoot another person fatally gets less than a life term. If the victim lives, that just means the other guy missed what he was really aiming for.

As for accidental deaths in homes with handguns, I believe wholeheartedly that most of those could have been prevented had the parents taken more precautions. I myself was raised with numerous guns in our home; however, I was taught how to safely handle them, the guns were never stored loaded, and the ammunition was always stored separately in a locked cabinet. It goes without saying, but I'll say it anyway: guns can be tools used for legal sporting enjoyment, self-defense or even simply as collector's items. However, they're also capable of massive harm. That is where the responsibility lies with the individual holding it.

Coincidentally, that's also squarely where the blame belongs when someone does get hurt.

My View

SEAN COMER
BUZZ REVIEWER



YOUR VIEW
What are your feelings on the still-growing number of U.S. soldier casualties in Iraq?



"Not that many soldiers have died for it being a war. If we quit before we win, we waste the sacrifices of those soldiers that have already passed."

Becky Troyer
Secretary,
Missouri
Academy



"I really don't think we need to be over there because the more soldiers we send over there, the more that get hurt."

James
Willtrout
Maryville
Resident



"I just hate to pick up the paper and read about the casualties. I just wish the war was over, but I am in favor of ridding the world of terrorism."

Janet Moss
Maryville
Resident



"I think the war is unnecessary and that we've had plenty of opportunities in history to take care of this situation. We should make use of our historical mistakes and critique them since we call ourselves the superior nation."

Jessica Hartley
Photojournalism

Northwest administrators deserve recognition, respect and a pat on the back

Warning: This column may come off as a form of brown-nosing for lead on a story...It's not. Work sucks.

At least that's what it says on the cover of the movie, "Office Space."

And for a lot of people in this country, they take that attitude to their place of employment every day.

So, why then do the Northwest administrators come to work from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. for one full week or slave away at big issues such as the University of Missouri system merger with positive attitudes?

And what about the budget cri-

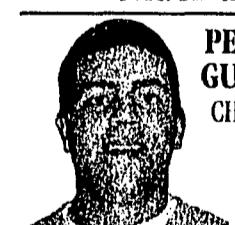
sis in Missouri? Why do they look at the future of higher education and Northwest with such optimism?

After covering those stories and studying those questions, the answer is clear: They have a genuine passion for education and a deep love for Northwest. Why else would they construct a 50-page Baldridge Award application on top of all the other responsibilities they have?

After spending one month (and more than 100 inches of text) on covering the Missouri budget and examining Northwest's academic

Under the 'Scope

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programs, the administration surprised me. Instead of shooing me away like a dog looking for some scraps, they answered my questions

openly and honestly.

And instead of questioning my sources in my story, "Students worry smaller majors may be cut (Oct. 23)," they offered to contact those individuals and answer their questions.

And unlike the "major" universities that require a one-month notice to meet with administrators (and even then it isn't a guarantee), Northwest administrators always find time to address the important questions.

Sure, one could argue, that Northwest and UM System administrators did not take into account

all of the long-term changes that would have to be made before a merger is done.

And yes, one could say they shouldn't have broken the news until they dotted the I's and crossed the T's. But, as the old saying goes, hindsight is always 20-20.

The fact of the matter is they wanted to see what you, the students, the faculty, staff and community members felt about the merger. Why else would they have had town hall meetings last spring and early this fall? It was just too bad only 30 students came to the Student Senate-sponsored forum

earlier in the trimester.

Overall, students need to be happy with the school that Northwest is and not picky with the things that it isn't. After all, it doesn't take an hour to get from one end of campus to the other, the biggest class on campus isn't 250 students, and Northwest isn't as much financial turmoil as other universities across the state. That's a credit, in large part, to the administration.

It's just like what a faculty member once told me: "You are lucky you go to school here."

Now, about that story...

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Years of dedication pay off for professor

By RILEY HUSKEY
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

On Friday, one Northwest professor will be inducted into the College Media Advisers Hall of Fame.

This prestigious award is only given to pioneers in collegiate journalism education, and Laura Widmer, assistant professor of mass communications, definitely falls into that category.

With 21 years of experience at advising such publications as *The Northwest Missourian*, *Tower* yearbook and *Heartland View* online magazine, Widmer is receiving recognition for contributions she's made to journalism education.

"The best thing about my job is by far the students," Widmer said. "Sure, my job is to provide students the tools and resources needed to succeed, but the thrill is to see them come in as freshmen and leave as successful journalists who are happy with their career choice. I can't imagine a better job."

Widmer was nominated for this award by 1997 Hall of Fame inductee from Indiana University David Adams.

"I've known Laura for over two decades now, and I admire her," Adams said. "She could have gone to a larger school, but she didn't. You could say Maryville is her 'Oz.' She feels blessed

where she is, and Northwest should be blessed to have her."

The Hall of Fame induction is just one of many awards Widmer has to her credit. She's previously been awarded the National Scholastic Press Association's Pioneer Award, the Governor's Award, and the Distinguished Multimedia and Yearbook Adviser of the Year awards.

"That's what I love about this work," Widmer said. "Close relationships are built and transpired from the hard work used to put out a quality product."

Widmer will host three sessions at the Associated Collegiate Press national convention in Dallas this weekend, aside from her meetings and induction ceremony.

"Laura really is a leader in CMA," Adams said. "Whether it be serving in the Task Force and Advisory Council or as president of the organization, she's always taken an active role."

As CMA president from 1991 to 1993, Widmer played a role in establishing the Hall of Fame, and it was in 1994 that its first nine members were inducted.

"We had to focus on the pioneers, whether retired or not, and recognize the great people who started this organization," Widmer said.

An exciting project set to come out next school year is Widmer's very own CD-ROM textbook on reporting. She



PHOTO COURTESY OF UNIVERSITY RELATIONS
Assistant professor Laura Widmer will be inducted into the College Media Hall of Fame Friday in Dallas. She has served as the adviser for three student publications in her 21 years at Northwest

interviewed nearly 80 editors and reporters, including several from ABC, NBC and CNN. The textbook will be released nationwide and will provide fledgling journalists with hints and tidbits on effective reporting.

Reporters shouldn't be afraid to write," Widmer said. "Learn from your writing, get involved in student publications as soon as possible, and practice, practice, practice. It's amazing how, if students are smart about their college experience, many doors will open for them."

Adams had one word to describe Widmer: innovative.

"She consistently gets her students excited to do great work," Adams said. "She has this abiding love and behind-the-scenes attitude. She pulls her journalists together and then lets them go."

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University to begin Safe Ride Home program

Substance Abuse Task Force, comprised of University and community leaders, as part of the harm-reduction component of the ASP.

"I think it will be an important indicator to how serious we take student safety," said Carol Cowles, assistant vice president of Student Affairs. "Unfortunately, it's a response to an area that has been problematic."

Cowles refers to a recent survey conducted by 12 Missouri universities in which 46.2 percent of Northwest students said they had driven under the influence of alcohol or drugs at least once during the past year. Not only is this percentage well above the state mean average of 38 percent, but it leads all other universities in that category.

"I'm real concerned (with the survey results)," Porterfield said. "It does not reflect a healthy trend or people making healthy decisions. We have to try and reverse that trend."

Before the four- to five-page plan can be presented to the Cabinet or Northwest President Dean Hubbard, a lot of details must still be ironed out.

"The good news is that this is not a new idea," Porterfield said. "There are some good models out there, and we're excited. I think this will be well received by students."

A problem facing the project is liability and insurance issues. The logistics are still being worked out by University lawyers.

Another hurdle is where the University can allocate vehicles. Project leaders are working with Ray Courter, vice president of Finance, and Environmental Services about acquiring preferably two vans to start. According to Porterfield, there is "one in the (University's) fleet that looks like a candidate."

But perhaps the greatest hurdle for the project is, of course, finances. With the

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Speaker to tell about dangers of drunk driving

about the dangers of drinking and driving.

Sternen brings his presentation "DUI: A Powerful Lesson" to Northwest at 8 p.m. tonight in the Student Union Ballroom. The event is sponsored by the NCAA, Peer Education and Phi Sigma Kappa.

Phi Sigma Kappa president Brent Castillo has seen Sternen's presentation before, and when he found out about its possible return to Northwest, he made sure that his fraternity got involved.

"It really hit home," Castillo said. "He's not somebody up there that hasn't

lost someone. He has, and he knows what it feels like. He's not telling you not to drink; he's just saying be safe."

In April of 1999, Phi Sigma Kappa lost member Kevin Bayes to an accident involving alcohol. When Castillo explained the significance of this presentation to the fraternity's first-year members, they all decided to help.

Carol Cowles, assistant vice president of Student Affairs, was very pleased with the chance to bring Sternen's presentation to the University.

just one piece of the puzzle."

And despite all the obstacles the program has yet to overcome, Porterfield said that he and the substance Abuse Task Force are determined to fight drinking and driving by Northwest students.

"I don't relish the idea of contacting a parent after a tragedy related to drinking or consulting a student after a DWI—or worse, an incident relating to a DWI," Porterfield said.

"It's not the silver bullet," she said. "It's

not the up-front costs given the state of the school's budget," Porterfield said. "I'm optimistic, but cautiously optimistic."

Cowles stressed that the Safe Ride Program is just one part of the University's ASP.

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The Fight with Food

By Betsy Lee
FEATURES EDITOR

To others, she is alarmingly thin, her skin stretched so taut over her ribs that every bone is noticeable. But to her, there is always one more pound to lose, one more inch to shed.

To a person with an eating disorder, their body is never what it should be. They strive, in a variety of ways, to achieve the perfection that they perceive around them. But, as the condition progresses, that perfection seems to get further and further away.

Liz Wood, director of the Northwest Counseling Center, said, as eating disorders progress, individuals lose sight of what they actually look like. One in four college women suffer from an eating disorder.

"I had someone in my office who was 90 pounds, and she was terribly afraid that she was going to break the chair she was sitting in," Wood said. "Anorexics see fat; they feel fat."

TYPES OF DISORDERS AND PHYSICAL IMPLICATIONS

There are two main types of eating disorders, anorexia nervosa and bulimia nervosa. Anorexics restrain themselves from eating and retaining calories; they can do this by eating very small meals and overexercising. Bulimia nervosa is a condition in which individuals binge on food and then purge the nourishment. Bulimics can purge by vomiting or using laxatives.

According to Virginia Murr, assistant director of the Health Center, the physical consequences of an eating disorder can be devastating.

"Anorexia is a starving mechanism. You are denying the body tissues what they need the most," Murr said.

At first, an anorexic will experience gradual weight loss. Other physical changes may include growth of body hair, dry skin, weak nails, sensitivity to cold, fatigue and stomach shrinkage.

"Even a teaspoon of food can be more than an anorexic can handle," Murr said. "Their stomachs become so small that they can barely eat."

More severe complications include organ failure and, in 15 percent of untreated cases, death.

Bulimia has a different set of physical results. Because of the purging, excessive stomach acid can cause loss of teeth and damage to the esophagus and respiratory tract.

REASONS FOR THE CONDITIONS

Though food is the focus of the disorders, the psychological causes are usually unrelated to a preoccupation with food.

Anorexics are typically perfectionists or individuals who experience pressure

to succeed from their families.

According to Wood, individuals with eating disorders tend to have a fragile sense of self and a preoccupation with weight. Bulimia and anorexia can result from a desire for control.

"If a person feels very out of control on a very basic level, food becomes something that they can control," Wood said.

Though the disorder probably originated long before, the stress of college life can be an instigator because of an inherent lack of structure.

"New students have to deal with the stress of being away and a change in their support system," Wood said. "There is also a high level of emphasis on physical appearance."

The American focus on looks is also a cause for the rise in eating disorders. Wood said society is full of things that contribute to eating disorders.

"Anyone who looks at TV or movies can see where the messages come from," Wood said.

Betsy Burgess, a peer educator who represents the student-run organization Acceptance, said eating disorders can stem from the images in American culture.

"People think the average size of women in our age group is a size 4; it's more like a 14," Burgess said.

Through her work with Acceptance, a group that focuses on healthy eating, self-esteem and body image awareness, Burgess has talked to children of various ages. She said she is shocked at how aware they are of the culture.

"They know all about those fad diets," Burgess said. "I've had kindergarteners come up and say they need to go to Weight Watchers."

Burgess has run into children as young as six who are severely restricting their diets and children as young as fourth grade who purge their food.

HOW INDIVIDUALS HIDE CONDITIONS

Individuals who have an eating disorder become experts hiding it from others.

"This is a secret disease," Wood said. "People will do anything to hide it."

Burgess said, in one severe case, a bulimic individual on campus was hiding jars of vomit under her bed to keep from being discovered.

"People with eating disorders go to great lengths to hide it and they have information at their fingertips to tell them how to do it," Burgess said, referring to pro-anorexia Web sites.

Pro-eating disorder Web sites praise the conditions and give tips on how to

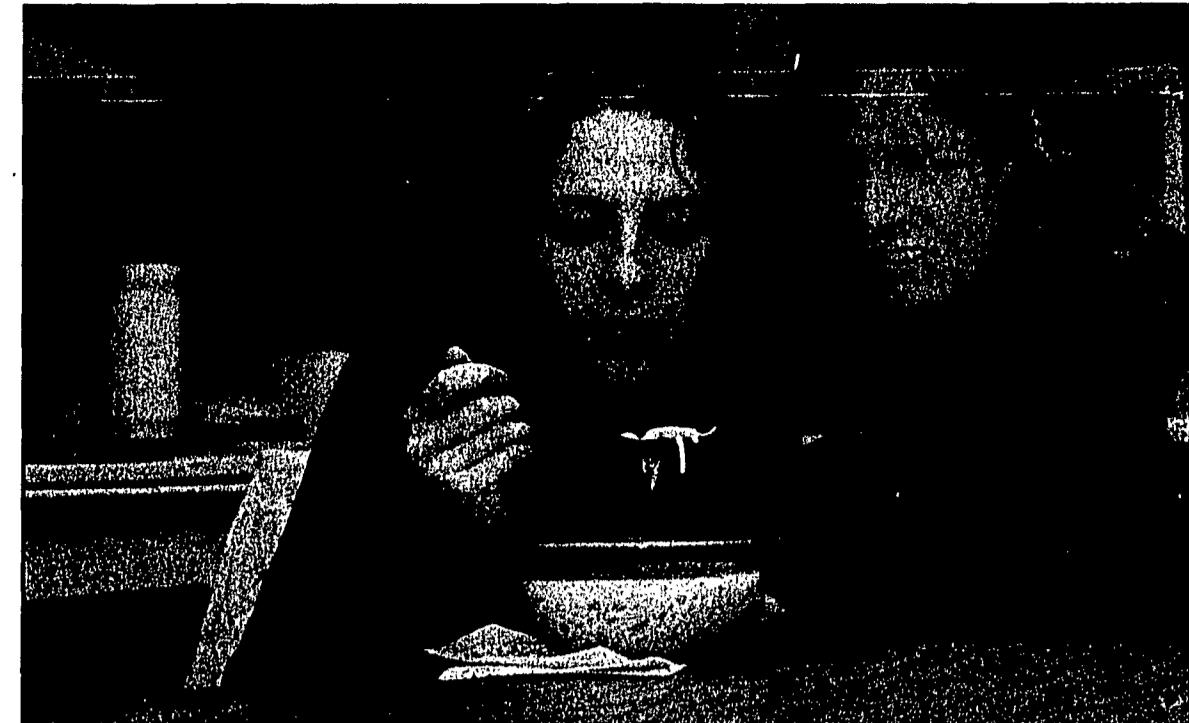


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Anorexic and bulimic individuals struggle every day with the simple act of eating. More than 10 percent of college students have an eating disorder according to www.anred.com, an eating disorder awareness Web site.

hide them. One Web site, entitled AnaHouse, offers ways to avoid arousing the suspicion of family and friends. The site recommends that anorexics try the "opaque cup trick."

"If forced to eat under supervision," it states. "Put the food in your mouth and chew it up, look like you are enjoying it but don't swallow. Instead, pretend to take a sip from a non see-through cup but really spit the food into it."

The site also recommends purging but suggests brushing teeth before purging to avoid tooth decay due to stomach acid. Tooth paste acts as a base that will protect the teeth from the bile of the stomach.

"These Web sites glorify the actions," Burgess said. "It's horrifying. It kind of shows how we are as a society."

COMBATING THE CONDITIONS

Northwest recently created a team approach to combat the rise in collegiate eating disorders. The Health Center, the Counseling Center and Campus Dietician Molly Driftmier are working together to identify eating disorders and assist students struggling with them. Wood said getting help is an essential step in the recovery process.

"A therapist can help a person motivated for behavior change," she said. "It's very hard to give up."

Friends and family cannot assume the individual will get better on their own, according to Wood. If an eating disorder is suspected, Wood recommends approaching the individual with empathy and concern.

"Focus on the behaviors and remain non-judgmental," Wood said. "Tell the person you will go with them to get help."

For questions regarding eating disorders or how to help someone who might be struggling with a disorder, contact the Counseling Center at 562-1220 or Acceptance at 562-1114.

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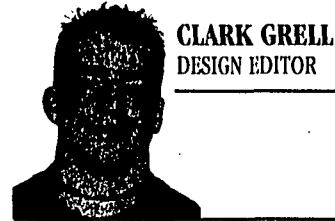
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Hail to the Victor

CLARK GRELL
DESIGN EDITORTime is right
for 'Hounds
district title

And it comes down to this. It's the biggest game of the season. If the 'Hounds win, one would tend to think the sectional game against Platte County would be even bigger, but this is a huge stepping stone game for the 'Hounds.

Chillicothe has always been a road block for Maryville the past several years. However, 23 seniors, an offense that can execute as well as any and a defense with a lot speed may be the extra step toward next Wednesday night.

Head coach John Pelzer said the Spoofhounds need their 'A' game come Friday night and everyone should expect nothing less. Pelzer and the coaching staff have prepared these guys for every game this season. Not once, in any of the team's eight wins, have the 'Hounds played to the level of their competition. In their loss at Platte County, the 'Hounds showed they could play with the conference's top dog, coming up 30 seconds short of getting a win down there.

So we should expect nothing less than a team coming out playing hard for another shot at the Pirates.

And now is a good time. Five experienced seniors are on the offensive line and a backfield trio as good as any makes the team all the better. Senior quarterback Erick Auxier has really shown this season that he can lead a team. As the season has progressed, he has made very few mistakes, and it does not hurt to have a 1,000-yard rusher and another potential 1,000-yard rusher behind him.

Wide out Sydney Brisbane and tight end Ben McKim have only added more fuel this season to an impressive offense.

A defense with a lot of aggression and speed gives the 'Hounds all the tools to make a run for a state title. Yeah, it may be a little too early to say that. After all, the 'Hounds have yet to get past the team that has ended their hopes in the past.

Chillicothe has once again produced a solid football team and has what it takes to end another hope for a shot in sectionals and another step closer to a state title.

Come Friday night, Maryville may be driving back to Maryville, but they could very well be doing so knowing they get four days to prepare for the Pirates.



PHOTO BY JOE KNUST/CHIEF PHOTOGRAPHER

Maryville senior running back Bryce Buholt eludes a Savannah defender in the 'Hounds' 40-0 shutout win over the Savages Friday night. Buholt caught a 55-yard touchdown pass from senior quarterback Erick Auxier right before halftime to give Maryville an 11-0 lead. A win Friday night in Chillicothe will send the 'Hounds' to Platte City for sectionals against the Platte County Pirates.

NOW OR NEVER

The Spoofhounds look to make an extra step towards a state title

By CLARK GRELL
DESIGN EDITOR

Game 10



Maryville Spoofhounds (8-1)
at
Chillicothe Hornets (8-1)

Where: Chillicothe

Kickoff: 7 p.m.

Bottom line: The game features some of conference's best backs in Maryville's Brant Gregg and Bryce Buholt and Chillicothe's Brent Christopher

Chillicothe to battle the Hornets for the District 15 championship. The winner plays Platte

County, who has mathematically won their district, and who will have sole possession of second place in the Midland Empire Conference. The loser is done.

Chillicothe is coming off four straight shutout wins, but head coach John Pelzer is hoping his team has yet to play its best football of the season.

"I hope the team is not done playing after Friday," he said. "I think the team has done what we wanted it to do as far as getting better every week. Last week, we had a slow first half, but I think part of that was due to Savannah coming in with a nice

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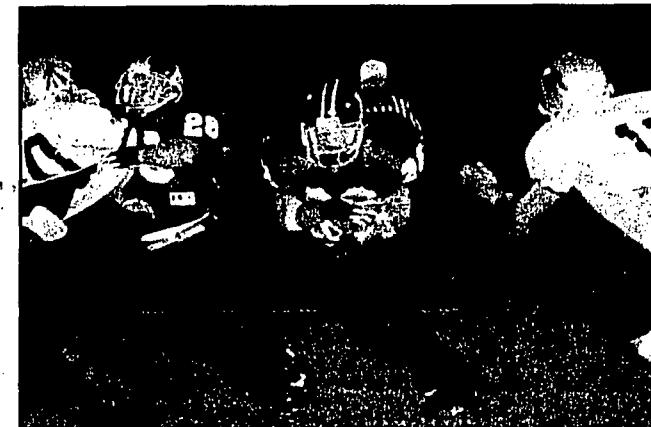


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Senior running back Brant Gregg finds the gap in the 'Hounds' 40-0 win over Savannah. Gregg finished the game with 124 yards rushing on 15 carries.

Senior linebackers
Evan Wilmes (32)
and Nate Cracraft

Break it down: 'Hounds vs. Hornets

OFFENSE: RUSHING FORCES COLLIDE

Chillicothe likes to run the ball, and so do the 'Hounds. The Hornets lead the Midland Empire Conference in rushing yards and are led by running back Brent Christopher who averages nearly 10 yards a carry.

"Chillicothe is what Chillicothe has been for a long time, which is a run-oriented team," head coach John Pelzer said. "They're very good at what they do. They're going to try to establish the power running game, and then they have some capable play-action passes."

Maryville may have the deepest running core in the MEC. Seniors Bryce Buholt and Brant Gregg have carried most of the load this season. Gregg is with 100 hundred yards for 1,000 on the season.

KEY FACTOR OF THE GAME: The play-action pass. Both teams run the play very well. Maryville's Erick Auxier will look for wideout Sydney Brisbane and tight end Ben McKim where the Hornets rely on John Gannan, who averages nearly 17 yards a catch.

DEFENSE: 'D' AT ITS BEST

It could very well be a defensive battle come Friday night with every turnover and every three-and-out counting. No one has given up fewer points than Maryville. The 'Hounds have given up only 40 points this season, and Chillicothe has given up 78. Chillicothe has the conference's sack leader in Nathan Yardley, who went into the Cameron game with 7.5 sacks on the season.

KEY FACTOR OF THE GAME: Field position. With as good as the two defenses are, it will be difficult to go the length of the field for a score.

SPECIAL TEAMS: A BATTLE OF KICKERS?

Chillicothe's Jeff Eller has hit two field goals this season and is 30 for 34 on PATs. Drew Demott has hit one field goal this season.

KEY FACTOR OF THE GAME: It comes down to extra points, especially if there are not a lot of points scored.

Scrappy Baptist team looks for upset

Seniors want to make best of final home game

By COLE YOUNG
SPORTS EDITOR

When the Northwest football team takes the field on Saturday, 17 seniors will likely be playing in their last game ever in Rickenbode Stadium.

As they face off against the Southwest Baptist University Bearcats, those 17 seniors will

not know the feeling of losing to Baptist.

Out of the previous 15 meetings between the two teams, Southwest Baptist has won only

three times, the last coming in the Northwest's 1994 winless season.

This season, however, Baptist is a team that Northwest head coach Mel Tjeerdtsma believes (Please see 'Scrappy' page 2B)

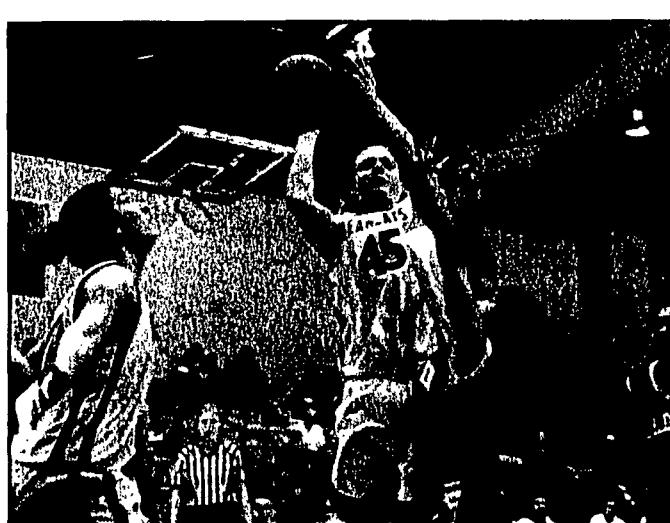


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Junior forward Ashely Poptancyz scores two points over a St. Louis Goldstar defender. Poptancyz finished with 12 points and seven rebounds in the game.

Steinmeyer wants more defense

Bearcats start season with exhibition victory

By COLE YOUNG
SPORTS EDITOR

If you were to talk to Northwest basketball head coach Gene Steinmeyer last season after his team scored 87 points in one game, he likely would have been too busy dancing in the streets to answer questions.

This season, Steinmeyer is not

nearly as pleased with his team's 87-72 victory over St. Louis Goldstar.

"We scored 87 points, and we are patting ourselves on the back," Steinmeyer said. "We shot 39 percent; our goal is 45 percent. We have to get out of 30s. We're not always going to get 70 or 80 shots."

Included in the high number of shots for the Bearcats were 23 three-point attempts, which does not please Steinmeyer.

The head coach also had some problems with the team's defense.

"I was disappointed with how we played our half-court defense,"

Steinmeyer said. "We feel like we failed with our zone defense."

On the opposite side of the spectrum, though, the inside play of senior Sarah Vollertsen was one of several bright spots for Northwest.

Vollertsen finished with 16 points and 10 rebounds.

Aside from Vollertsen, Steinmeyer commanded two others.

"I thought two players that came in and played well were Ashely Poptancyz and Meghan Blay," Steinmeyer said. "They had really good games and thrusted themselves into good positions for playing time."

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Maryville soccer

A late season run by the 'Hounds came to an end when they lost to Smithville in district action. Turn to page 3B for head coach Stuart Collin's comments on the game and his final thoughts on the season.



Northwest football

One final home game remains for the Bearcats. Turn to page 2B for the Tale of the Tape against Southwest Baptist, conference standings and regional rankings.



Northwest soccer

They struggled almost all season, but the 'Cats learned a lot under first year head coach Tracy Cross. To see how the team did in their final two games of the season, turn to page 3B.

FOOTBALL

										
At South Dakota Minn.-St. Mankato State Alumni Sta- Rickenbrode dium, 7 p.m.	Central Mo. State Rickenbrode Stadium, 1 p.m.	At Missouri-Rolla Allgood-Bailey Stadium, 6:30 p.m.	Washburn Rickenbrode Stadium, 1 p.m.	At Emporia State Welch Stadium, 2 p.m.	Missouri Southern Rickenbrode Stadium, 1 p.m.	At Missouri Western Spratt Stadium, 1 p.m.	Truman State Rickenbrode Stadium, 1 p.m.	Southwest Baptist vs. Pittsburg State Fall Classic at Arrowhead, 2 p.m.		

TALE OF THE TAPE

Top 25

			Division II Top 25
31.0	Scoring Offense	25.6	1. Saginaw Valley State (17).....9-0
20.1	Scoring Defense	28.4	2. North Alabama (9).....9-0
364.7	Total Offense	356.6	3. Texas A&M Kingsville.....7-1
303.3	Total Defense	366.4	4. Grand Valley State.....8-1
140.2	Rushing Offense	188.4	5. Valdosta State.....8-1
110.2	Rushing Defense	182.1	6. Catawba.....8-1
224.4	Passing Offense	168.1	7. Indiana Pa.....8-1
193.1	Passing Defense	184.3	8. North Dakota.....8-1
29:26	Time of Possession	32:25	9. Pittsburg State.....8-1
13/18	Field Goals	12/16	10. Carson-Newman.....8-1
23.2	Kick Return Avg.	16.3	11. Emporia State.....8-1
10.2	Punt Return Avg.	5.9	12. Central Missouri State.....8-1
			13. Winona State.....8-1
			14. Central Oklahoma.....7-1
			15. Mesa State.....8-1
			16. North Dakota State.....7-2
			17. Southern Arkansas.....7-2
			18. Tarleton State.....7-2
			19. Bentley.....9-0
			20. Delta State.....7-2
			21. Tusculum.....7-2
			22. Edinboro.....7-2
			23. Chadron State.....7-2
			24. Southeastern Oklahoma.....7-2
			25. Nebraska-Omaha.....7-3

AROUND THE MIAA

Last Week:
NWMSU 37 TSU 0;
PSU 27 MWSC 7;
ESU 44 UMR 27;
CMSU 49 WU 28;
SBU 28 MSSU 6

This Week:
SBU @ NWMSU 1 p.m.
UMR@TSU 1 p.m.
WU @ MWSC 1 p.m.
PSU @ CMSU 2 p.m.
ESU @ MSSC 2 p.m.

REGIONAL RANKINGS

	Team	MIAA	Overall
1. North Dakota.....	Pittsburg State	6-1	8-1
2. Emporia State.....	Central Mo. State	6-1	8-1
3. Winona State.....	Emporia State	6-1	8-1
4. Pittsburg State.....	Mo. Western	5-2	6-3
5. North Dakota State.....	Northwest	5-2	6-3
	Southwest Bapt.	2-5	3-6
	Truman State	2-5	2-7
	Mo. Southern	1-6	1-8
	Washburn	1-6	3-6
	Mo.-Rolla	0-7	0-9

INJURY REPORT

Josh Lamberson (QB): Questionable for this week's game after suffering a knee injury against Missouri Western

after missing Truman game with shoulder injury.

Adam Otte (WR): Probable after missing Truman game with a minor concussion.

Mike Tiehen (DE): Questionable this week with back injury.

Ryan Waters (DE): Probable this week



Head football coach Mel Tjeerdsma addresses the Bearcats after winning the Hickory Stick on Saturday against Truman State. The Bearcats recorded their first shutout of the year.

Questions before last week's kickoff

1 How will Northwest rebound from their loss to MoWest? *Very well. Northwest played what coach Tjeerdsma called the team's most complete game of the season.*

2 Will the injury to Lamberson affect the Northwest offense? *No, the offense as a whole*

Five for next week:

1. What senior will play the best on Senior Day
2. Will Baptist be able to contain Northwest to under 45 points?

3 Will the Hickory Stick remain in the 'Ville another year? *Yes. After shutting down Truman's offense, the stick went safely back to its home in the trophy case.*

4 How will the defense respond to Truman's running game? *As well as they have all year, holding Truman 56 yards on the ground.*

5 Who will start as the "A-back" in Northwest's backfield? *Shon Well had the honors of being starting running back this week, though Morris White was the leading rusher with his one carry.*

3. How many different ways can the 'Cats score?
4. Will more than 3000 fans show up?
5. Will Joel Mathews punt the ball more than once this week?

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Bearcats hope to avoid Baptist letdown

cannot be overlooked.

"This is a team who lost to Central Missouri State by only a touchdown and took Emporia State to the fourth quarter," he said.

Southwest brings an offense to the table that is dangerous both through the air and on the ground.

In the air attack, Marc Green leads the way with 51 receptions and 534 yards.

On the ground, Marco Kirven is the man to stop. Kirven is averaging 6.1 yards per carry and currently has 1,104 yards on 180 carries.

"The biggest difference about this team from the last two years is they believe they can succeed," Tjeerdsma said. "They have really improved themselves up front."

With essentially nothing to play for, Tjeerdsma realizes a win this weekend would be huge for Baptist.

"They are a dangerous team right now," Tjeerdsma said. "If they could knock one of the top five off, it would make their season."

The top five Tjeerdsma mentioned are the five schools still currently battling

for the MIAA title. Pittsburg State University, Central Missouri State University, Emporia State University, Missouri Western State College and Northwest all have a shot to claim the title if things go the right way for any of the teams.

After Northwest's 37-0 victory over Truman State, the Bearcats seem to have their offense back in order.

"I just think we're improving week by week," senior wide receiver Nick Glassapp said. "It helps when you have good practices because the offense is more X's and O's and you get a chance to perfect the plays."

It appears as though the offense will have junior T.J. Mandl at quarterback again this week. Even if sophomore Josh Lamberson is healthy after suffering a knee injury against Missouri Western, he likely will not start.

Mandl completed 14 of 24 passes for 237 yards with a touchdown.

"There is a lot of speculation (as to whether Lamberson will start or not)," Tjeerdsma said. "It depends on how ready he is."

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Hounds look to take step towards title

game plan.

Exclude the Platte County game for both Maryville and Chillicothe, which both teams lost in Platte City, and Friday's game will feature two teams that have yet to be tested in any of their other eight games.

That is especially true in district play where the 'Hounds hold a pair of 40-0 wins over Cameron and rival Savannah. Chillicothe defeated Savannah (51-6) and Cameron (60-13) last week.

That has led to game 10 being the most important game of the season.

"I've been pleased with the progress we have made," Pelzer said. "We've directed our whole season towards this game, so I'd have to think the guys will be ready on Friday."

This week's matchup is a mirror reflection of last season. Last year, the Hornets and 'Hounds clashed in game 10 with identical records and an opportunity to play Platte County in sectionals.

Chillicothe won with a strong defensive performance, preventing the 'Hounds from successfully moving the ball down the field.

The only difference from last season is that, this year, Maryville will be in full force at 7 p.m. Friday.

Last season, Maryville was without their leading tackler Greg Barnmann, who was suspended for a game after being ejected one game earlier. They were also without then-starting quarterback Ryan Holman, who was a big reason why Maryville was playing for a district championship 10 games into the season.

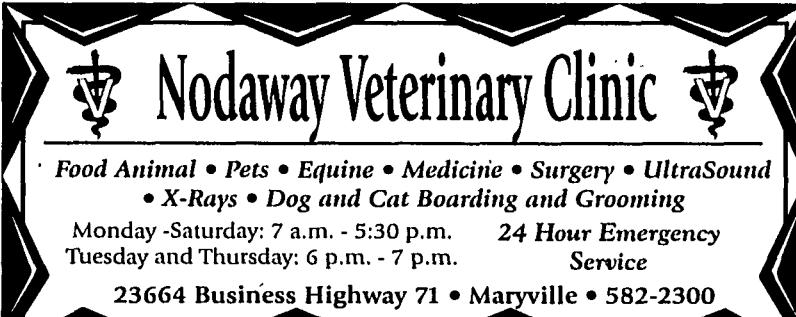
Senior running back Bryce Buholt played in that game, but it was the first time he saw action in five games having suffered a foot injury against Platte County.

"This year, we are going in with 61 guys ready to play, and I feel pretty good about that," Pelzer said.

Even though the 'Hounds go into the game healthy, they are still going to have to play one of their best games of the season, Pelzer said.

The winner plays at Platte County Wednesday in sectionals.

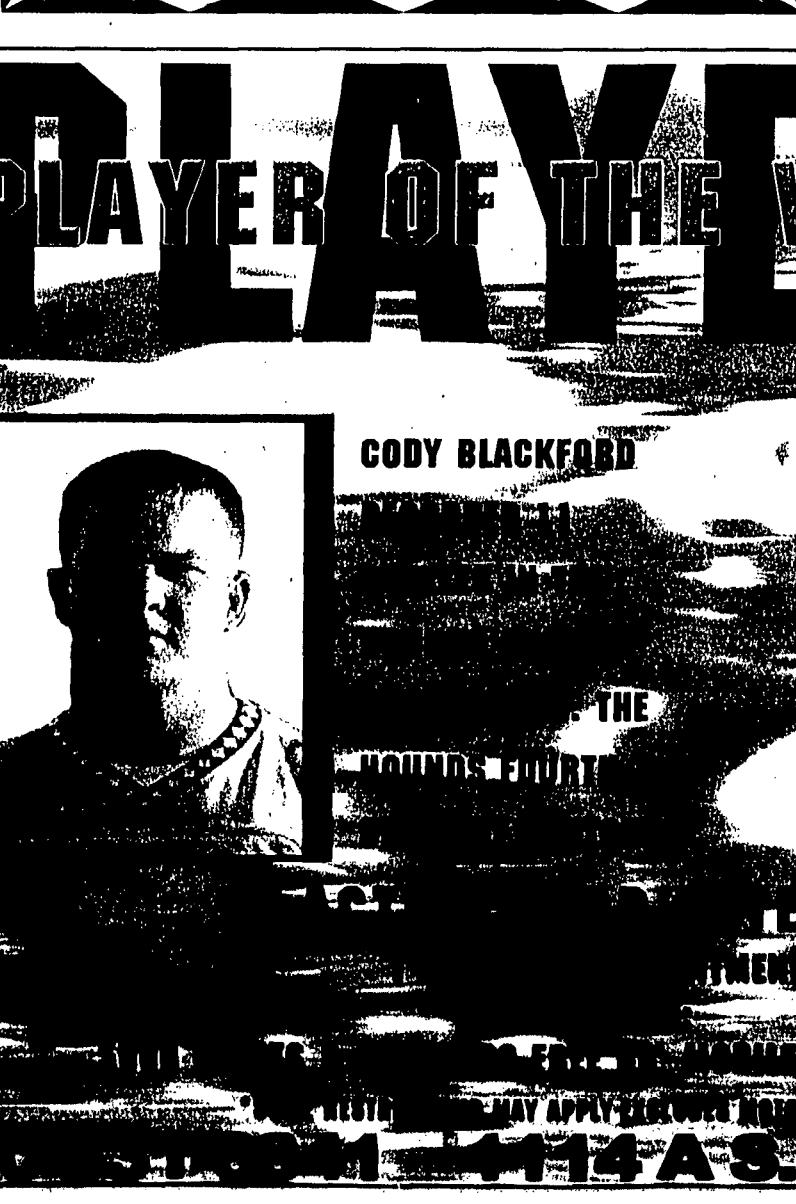
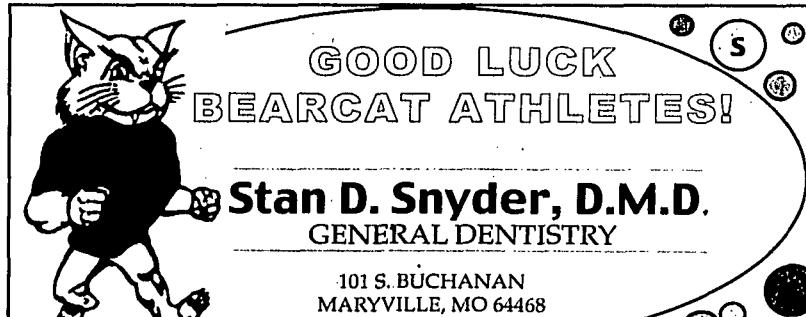
"We're ready for (Chillicothe), and they're ready for us," senior Vic Wiederholt said. "It's going to be a good game, hard-nose football as always."



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'Hounds' season ends at the hands of Smithville

By DAN ZECH
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

After a 5-10 regular season, the Maryville Spoofhound soccer team came on late entering districts Saturday. They continued to perform well throughout district play, finishing 6-11.

The 'Hounds were able to take care of Cameron 6-2 in the first game. Head coach Stuart Collins, said the 'Hounds were well prepared.

"They made the right passes, touch passes we needed to make," Collins said. "We've needed to finish our games this season, and we did that."

The 'Hounds victory came despite a 15-minute blitz from Cameron at the start of the second half. Cameron scored only one goal during that time.

"Everybody did their job and

did it well," Collins said.

The 'Hounds scored six goals with four different players. Wes Wooten and Dylan Cloepfil scored two goals each, and Galen Gibson-Cornell and Nic Zweifel scored a goal a piece. Collins attributed the domination to how mentally prepared the 'Hounds were for this game.

After defeating Cameron, the 'Hounds advanced to the next round Monday against Smithville. The 'Hounds had struggled against Smithville this season, losing two matches 5-0 and 6-0.

Collins said Smithville was a very good defensive team with strength on the defensive line and in the midfield. However, the game would prove to be much closer.

"Our guys were hungry, they got their focus late in the season, and they played well as a unit,"

passed well and never gave up," Collins said.

Smithville was able to score within the first four minutes of the game, which allowed them to be more defensive throughout the game. Collins said the game may have been different had they not scored early on.

The 'Hounds were able to score two goals against Smithville's stingy defense. Clay Ferguson and Wes Wooten each scored a goal. The 'Hounds season ended against Smithville 3-2.

Collins said his senior players, Keaton Guess, Travis Smith and Wooten, were the leaders in the 'Hounds late charge this season.

"It's a shame we weren't able to maximize our potential until late in the season," Collins said. "The team was searching for an identity throughout, and we found it toward the end."



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Sarah Wallace takes the ball past a Truman State defender on Sunday. The Bearcats fell to the nationally ranked Bulldogs 5-1 in their last home game of the season. The Bearcats wrapped up the season yesterday on the road against Missouri Southern.

Bearcat's losing streak continues, drop two at Bearcat Pitch in home finale

By JEROME BOETTCHER
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

The Northwest soccer team continued to struggle last weekend against Southwest Baptist University and Truman State University at home.

On Saturday, the girls lost another overtime match. It was the seventh time this season that the girls had gone to overtime. They battled back against Southwest Baptist after trailing 1-0 at halftime. Freshman Beth Gutschenritter passed the ball to junior Kristi Potee who scored to tie it up at one apiece. The goal was Potee's first career goal at Northwest.

However, the 'Cats could not capitalize on scoring opportunities, and the game went to overtime. For the third time this year, the 'Cats lost in overtime. The goal bounced off the post and rolled into the goal on a kick by Pip Meo of Southwest in the 97th minute.

"For the players to have seven games go to overtime, at the end of the day, you want to see them get a reward," Northwest head coach

Tracey Cross said. "That was the toughest part to see the players not get a reward for that. They showed a lot of character."

Cross said she was pleased with the number of shots they had against Southwest. The first time the 'Cats played them, Southwest outshot them 20-0. This time they only outshot the 'Cats 18-15.

On Sunday, the Bearcats played their last home game of the season against Truman State. Truman scored less than two minutes into the game on a shot by sophomore Lauren Cepicky.

The 'Cats responded 10 minutes later when freshman Tiffany Robertson crossed the ball to sophomore Becky Marston who headed it in for a goal. However, the team surrendered a goal two minutes later when Truman's Robyn Mortenson scored on a kick 20 yards away from the goal.

The 'Cats gave up three quick goals in a seven-minute span to Truman in the second half. The first goal of the half was kicked at Northwest goalkeeper junior Danielle Law-

less, but it bounced off of her and went into the goal. Mortenson added another one 29 seconds later after Lawless came too far out and couldn't get back in time. The ball was kicked over her and several Northwest defenders' heads. Another one was added three minutes later to give Truman a 5-1 lead. The team was outshot 22-11. Truman won the game 5-1.

"It happened all quickly, and (Truman) came out a little bit more on top in the first 10 minutes of the second half," Cross said. "We normally do, but today we didn't. It's just unfortunate."

However, she was pleased with the team's performance in the first half against Truman State.

"They pretty much stayed composed in the first half and stuck with their players," Cross said. "Not much you can do when three goals go in. A game is altered pretty much when three goals go in quickly. It changed your motivation and energy level."

The team's record falls to 2-13-4 overall and 1-8-4 in the MIAA. Their record at home was 1-7-3.

PICKS FOR YOUR PLEASURE							
Northwest vs. Southwest Bapt.	NW 52-10	NW 35-14	NW 28-6	NW 48-14	NW 42-0	NW 41-7	
Pitt State vs. Central Mo.	PSU 35-20	PSU 42-15	PSU 21-17	PSU 29-27	PSU 28-23	PSU 27-17	
Maryville vs. Chillicothe	Chill. 10-7	MHS 20-14	MHS 28-21	MHS 16-14	MHS 21-20	MHS 27-21	
Colorado vs. Missouri	MU 35-27	MU 48-24	CU 36-21	CU 35-31	MU 35-28	CU 38-35	
Nebraska vs. Kansas	NU 28-27	KU 34-17	KU 28-14	NU 20-17	NU 38-28	NU 30-21	
Mich. State vs. Ohio State	MSU 28-21	OSU 18-16	OSU 36-21	OSU 7-0	OSU 37-16	OSU 24-21	
Purdue vs. Iowa	Iowa 17-14	Iowa 31-21	Pur. 21-17	Pur. 36-21	Iowa 21-20	Iowa 42-24	
Texas vs. Oklahoma St.	OSU 35-20	UT 39-24	UT 34-21	OSU 48-38	UT 14-7	OSU 41-35	
Va. Tech vs. Pittsburgh	VT 28-24	VT 29-21	VT 21-14	VT 44-21	VT 7-0	Pit. 28-21	
Tennessee vs. Miami	Mia. 59-0	Mia. 24-17	Mia. 28-13	Mia. 37-0	Mia. 17-10	Mia. 31-17	
Miami Oh. vs. Bowling Green	BG 38-10	Mia. 35-28	Mia. 38-10	BG 41-38	BG 35-0	BG 24-20	
Bethel vs. St. Johns	St.J 48-17	St.J 41-26	Beth. 28-26	St.J 12-7	St.J 36-20	St.J 28-27	
Cleveland vs. Kansas City	KC 38-17	KC 24-7	KC 21-14	KC 35-13	KC 35-0	KC 35-10	
Tampa vs. Carolina	Car. 17-14	TB 15-13	TB 21-14	TB 23-17	TB 6-3	Car. 14-13	
Buffalo vs. Dallas	Dal. 27-7	Dal. 38-21	Dal. 17-12	Dal. 31-24	Dal. 17-14	Dal. 28-12	
Washburn vs. MWSC	MWSC 48-7	WU 27-26	WU 28-13	MWSC 28-14	MWSC 31-20	MWSC 23-10	
Season (Last Week)	71-34 (4-4)	76-29 (6-2)	69-36 (7-1)	68-37 (8-0)	71-34 (5-3)	70-35 (6-2)	

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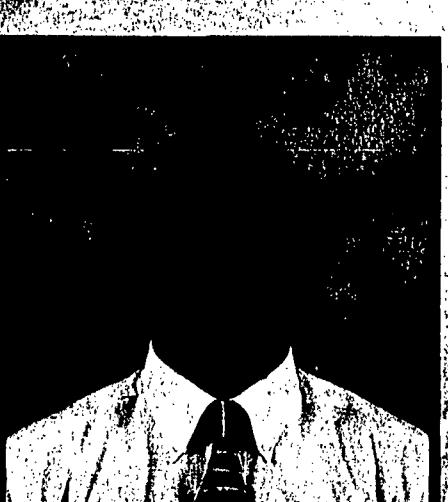
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